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## COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

## STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, AUGUST 2, 2002

PETITION OF

VERIZON VIRGINIA INC.

CASE NO. PUC-2001-00202

For Extended Local Service from Verizon Virginia Inc.'s Haysi Exchange to its Dante, Honaker, and Lebanon exchanges and to Verizon South Inc.'s Richlands and Big Prater exchanges

## FINAL ORDER

In October 2000, telephone customers in Verizon Virginia
Inc.'s ("Verizon Virginia") Haysi Exchange petitioned the State
Corporation Commission ("Commission") for local calling to the
Dante, Honaker, and Lebanon exchanges of Verizon Virginia and
the Richlands and Big Prater exchanges of Verizon South Inc.

("Verizon South").¹ On August 16, 2001, the Commission received
a cost study from Verizon Virginia for the Haysi Exchange that
was used to estimate the approximate change in the monthly rate
for service that will result from the requested extension of
local service.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Extended reciprocal calling between the Haysi Exchange and the contiguous exchange of Big Prater was approved in Phase Five of the expanded local calling between contiguous exchanges in Case No. PUC-2000-00204. Therefore, reciprocal calling between these two exchanges will not be addressed in this

Pursuant to the Commission's Order Directing Poll, issued December 5, 2001, Verizon Virginia polled its customers in the Haysi Exchange regarding their willingness to pay higher rates for local calling to the Dante, Honaker, and Lebanon exchanges of Verizon Virginia and to the Richlands Exchange of Verizon South ("ELS proposal"). The results satisfied the polling requirements of § 56-484.2 of the Code of Virginia.

The Commission issued an Order Prescribing Notice of the ELS proposal for the Dante, Honaker, Lebanon, and Richlands exchanges on April 19, 2002, and on May 17, 2002, Verizon Virginia filed proof of notice as required. No comments or requests for hearing were filed. A poll of these customers was not required because the proposed rate increase for one-party residential customers resulting from the ELS proposal did not exceed five percent of the existing one-party monthly residential flat rate.

On June 14, 2002, the Staff Report of Larry J. Kubrock was filed, which recommended approval of the ELS proposal.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) The proposed extension of local service between Verizon Virginia's Haysi Exchange and its Dante, Honaker, Lebanon exchanges, and Verizon South's Richlands Exchange shall be implemented.

- (2) Verizon Virginia shall file the tariff revisions necessary for the proposed extension of local service.
- (3) There being nothing further to come before the Commission, this case is closed.